

## PUBLIC SCHOOL EXERCISES

### The Closing of a Very Successful School Year.

The High School graduating class this year numbers thirteen of the best of Monett's young people. The closing exercises of the school are always looked forward to with a great deal of anticipation and this year will be unusually attractive throughout the week. The following is the program:

Sunday night, May 8, Baccalaureate sermon, by Rev. Allen.

Wednesday night, May 12, Annual Gold Medal Contest.

Thursday night, May 13, General School Entertainment.

Friday night, May 14, Graduation Exercises and address to class by Hon. W. T. Carrington, President of Springfield State Normal School.

All of the exercises will be held in the high school auditorium.

### Frisco Brakeman Killed in Arkansas.

U. A. Allen, a Frisco brakeman 21 years old and unmarried, was killed at Jonesboro, Ark., at 8:50 o'clock last night on train No. 131. He was braking for Conductor J. L. Lynch. The accident occurred about forty or fifty feet north of the north passing track switch.

It is not known whether Allen fell from the back of the engine tank or was on the ground between the engine and head car to cut the engine off. He was dragged under the front car wheel of the head car about ten feet.

The remains were placed in charge of an undertaker at Jonesboro to be prepared for burial. His mother lives at Memphis, Tenn., and his father at Thayer. Both have been notified of the death of their son.

### Bishops of M. E. Church, South, are Appointed

Nashville, Tenn., May 4.—The college of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, today made its appointments of bishops to preside over the various conferences. Among them are:

Bishop F. R. Hendrix, Arkansas conference, Morrilton, Ark., November 5; Bishop Candler, Missouri conference, Savannah, Mo., August 25; Southwest Missouri conference, Kansas City, Mo., September 1; St. Louis conference, Fredericktown, Mo., September 19; Bishop Atkins, Oklahoma conference, Muskogee, Oklahoma, November 3.

### Is Mayor Short A Hypnotist or Mental Telepathist

The present city administration has certainly scored a point in the matter of lights on Broadway. Formerly these lights cost the city \$40.00 per month. Now they do not cost a stiver. Has Mayor Short been sending "absent treatments" to D. J. Young as El Smith so as to expand the liberality of the Ice-Plant Man? By this as it may, we are now getting lights on Broadway free. Surely no citizen, no matter how confirmed a kicker he may be, will kick at "free lights."

Q. U. Illpen.

### Prohibition Still Sleeps

Jefferson City, Mo., May 4.—Another day passed without any move being made on the part of the Senate to take up the House prohibition measure.

The author of this proposed amendment to the Constitution, Representative Killian, of Cedar County, was on the sick list today. It was given out among the Senators that he was eager to be in the contest in the Senate.

Miss Demnah Hamilton and Miss Lazinka Chappell with their pupils went picnicking after school Tuesday evening.

Egbert Baker, Chas. Blood, Harry Dennis and others are fishing at Bowers Mill this week.

### Lessen These, Too.

We've the telegraph wireless, The church that is spireless, The gas that is fireless, Yet these we desire less Than roads that are mireless, Than hobos who're tireless, Campaigns that are liarless, And statesmen who're hireless.

—Kansas City Times.

### State Legislature

Jefferson City, May 4.—A bill to put a state license tax of \$25 on drug stores handling intoxicating liquors was killed in the House today, those opposing the measure declaring that its passage would have the effect of legalizing "whiskey drug stores" in local option counties.

The bill introduced by Representative Murray making it a misdemeanor for any one to drink or expose intoxicants in an ordinary passenger coach or to allow intoxicated persons to board passenger trains has passed both houses and is waiting for the Governor's signature.

The Senate passed a bill appropriating \$10,000 for compiling war records of Missouri under direction of Adjutant General. This measure provides for looking up the record of every old soldier without regard to which army he served in.

### Leaves His Cell to Woo.

Liberty, Mo., May 4.—Mr. Parsons, of the State Board of the Society for the Friendless, arrived here today to work among the county prisoners. He was informed by the Sheriff that the only prisoner in the county was a negro, who was serving a sentence for bootlegging, and that the said prisoner had his cell locked up and was out visiting his girl.

Mr. Parsons explained further that he wanted to reform the man and was told that the negro, Edward Marshall, attended church and midweek prayer meeting and did not need any religion. This is the way Clay county takes care of her prisoners—treats them so well that they would not escape for money. The jail is one of the old-style ones and has a key eight inches long. Edward Marshall, the prisoner, carries it with him and explains that it is the key to the situation.

### W. C. T. U. Silver Medal Contest

The Waldensian church a mile and a half south of town was well filled last night to witness the W. C. T. U. oratorical contest.

The seven young ladies taking part did so well that the judges expressed their regret that they had only one medal to award. The one who got the highest average was Miss Ruth Jarrett, who presented a strong plea for prohibition.

Miss Carnes favored us with some songs and recitations, which were highly appreciated as was the solo by Mrs. Kines.

Rev. Allen, pastor of the Baptist church, led in the opening prayer and the Rev. J. A. Knotter pastor of the church presented the medal and pronounced the benediction. The judges were Mr. Mermond, Mr. J. P. S. Planchon and Mrs. Knotter.

The ladies reported a little over eight dollars receipts.

One Who Was There.

### Good Roads Bulletin.

The Monthly Bulletin of the State Board of Agriculture for month of January, 1909, is devoted to highways. It gives a report of the Second Annual meeting of the Highway Engineers Association and several very important articles on road problems are given in full. This is a valuable bulletin and can be had by addressing Geo. B. Ellis, Secretary, Columbia, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kasse visited Frank Hemmerling and family in the country Sunday.

Mrs. Jas. Tarbet arrived Tuesday night for a month's visit with her mother, Mrs. Van Nattar and sister, Mrs. Geo. Feist.

### Farmer Bankrupt

A farmer in McDonald county has filed a voluntary petition in the Federal court at Joplin asking to be declared bankrupt. He listed his assets at \$398.25 and his liabilities of \$1,115. It is not often that a farmer goes into the bankruptcy court.

### Federation of Women's Club.

The third biennial meeting of the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs will open in Springfield Thursday morning at 9 o'clock in the First Baptist church. Mrs. Jas. Mansfield and Mrs. T. Callcut are the Monett delegates.

### Additional Train

The Frisco has in contemplation putting on a passenger train between Springfield and Greenfield. It will be a continuation of the Aurora and Greenfield service. This train was formerly run but was taken off two years ago. It was then known as the Jack Rabbit.

### McDowell Mines

Reports from mining operations at McDowell are very flattering and point to a large mining district in the future. The working of silicate ore is proving quite profitable and plans are being perfected for the development of the blende ores that lie at a greater depth. The concentrating plant now in operation can handle only 100 tons but a 200 ton plant will be erected soon.

Geologists are positive that large bodies of ore will yet be found in Barry county.

### Must Put Mail Boxes in Road.

That a change in the schedule of the rural route mail service may be made which will shorten the hours of the carrier while delivering mail, those living on the rural route will be informed to place their mail boxes in a position convenient for the carrier to reach. In order to reach many of the mail boxes on the different routes many of the carriers are compelled to go in a roundabout way.

With the relocation of the boxes situated in inconvenient places, causing the carriers to leave their vehicles, those living on the rural routes will be compelled to place their mail boxes so as to allow the carriers to deposit their mail without leaving the wagons.

With the change in the boxes, it is believed the working hours of carriers will be reduced. —Neosho Democrat.

James Willis is expected home from Illinois Thursday.

Thos. Lyons Sr. is improving rapidly. His nurse left Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wilkerson went to Ritchey to fish Wednesday.

The Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. church South will meet Friday with Mrs. Allred.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Kane have returned home from a visit at Black Rock, Ark. They report good prospects for peaches at that place.

Cole Younger has taken to the lecture platform. The old instinct of holding people up and taking their money away from them is strong even in the days of his decline. —The Ozark Press.

Mrs. R. Watson, Misses Fay Watson, Frances Kniskern and Pearl Miller went to Neosho Wednesday to attend the Christian church convention.

Prof. Peyton Gulick, formerly with Crawford's Comedians, will render a violin solo at the Lyric Wednesday evening. Don't miss this treat.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Adele Drews to Mr. Theobald Kaiser. The marriage will take place at the Evangelical Lutheran church at Friestatt Sunday, May 9, at 2 p. m. A reception will be held after the ceremony at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Drews.

### Gone East

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Basham and children departed Wednesday for Boston where Mr. Basham goes as a delegate to the international convention of the Order of Railway Conductors. They expect to visit Niagara Falls, New York, Washington and other points and be absent about three weeks.

The street commissioner and his force of workmen have been hard at work this week cleaning out the Broadway storm sewers that had become clogged with stone and rubbish. Wednesday he tackled the police court rooms with the fire hose and after a valiant struggle won a signal victory. The League of Never Sweats now have renovated quarters in which to hold their daily sessions.

Miss Nellie Guinney is quite sick.

Mrs. L. H. Martin is quite sick this week.

Mr. Moses of Carthage, is visiting J. J. Lane.

Tom Lyons and Rex Leckie went to St. Louis Tuesday night.

Miss Kate Banks, of Springfield, visited Monett friends this week.

A. W. Wightman is building a new concrete walk on the west side of his property on Second St.

The annual elocutionary contest of Peirce City high school will be held May 20.

L. N. Swartzel and J. Judd went to Claremore, Okla., Wednesday for the benefit of Mr. Judd's health.

Mr. Judd is Mrs. Swartzel's father.

Omaha went Democratic Tuesday in the municipal election by at least 4,000 majority re-electing the "Cow-Boy" Mayor, Jas. C. Dahlman. He made a strong gain on his vote of three years ago.

Walter Wellman will make another attempt to reach the north pole by means of a dirigible balloon. He expects to sail next week for Paris and Norway and will make the dash late this summer.

R. M. Nickerson has filed suit in Jasper county against the Frisco for \$6,000 alleged damages. He alleges that he was injured in falling over a pile of junk in the Monett switch yards last December. —Springfield Republican.

The contestants at the W. C. T. U. contest at the Waldensian church Tuesday night were: Misses Ruth Jarrett, Grace Johnson, Lillian Allen, Minnie Richards, Cecil Goodrum, Myrtle Winton and Grace Whitlatch. Others attending from Monett were Mrs. W. T. Kines, Mrs. Sam Clutter, Rev. J. S. Allen, Misses Yae Carnes, Ethel Campbell, Bess Campbell, Pearl Williams and Nellie Jarrett.

A newspaper can never very creditably represent a town whose business men do not advertise. He may howl himself hoarse bragging about the vim, energy and enterprise of his town, but if his declarations are not backed up by a liberal amount of advertising by the business men of the town, the world will be slow to take his statement as true. It takes more than the unsupported testimony of the local newspaper man to prove to the world that his town is the best market and the best place on earth to buy goods; his evidence needs corroboration. —Neosho Miner and Mechanic.

One hundred wholesale men of St. Louis will depart in a special train at 10:30 p. m. Sunday, May 16, to make a tour of the southwest for the purpose of advertising St. Louis. The train will consist of a convention car, diner and Pullmans. The expect to be gone eleven days and will spend a short time in each of the principal towns through which they pass. The train will arrive in Monett during the forenoon of the 17th and our Commercial Club should have a committee selected to meet the visitors.

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## PROHIBITION BILL PASSES THE SENATE.

### But is Handicapped with a Tax-Rider That May Kill It in the House.

Jefferson City, May 5.—The resolution on submitting to the people the State wide prohibition amendment, saddled with a tax rider, was passed by the Senate of 23 to 8, two senators not voting.

The resolution will now go to the House. The lower house is not favorable to the tax rider and may refuse to pass the resolution in its present form. It should do so there will be very little hope of any further action being taken owing to the shortness of the time before adjournment.

Eighteen Senators voted for the tax rider and fifteen against it.

### W. S. Blennerhassett Re-Elected General Chairman.

At the regular meeting of the Joint Protective Board of the B. of L. F. and E. held in Springfield last week Mr. W. S. Blennerhassett was again re-elected General Chairman for the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers of the "Frisco" System for the ensuing year. It was certainly a compliment to our fellow townsman that he received the unanimous support of the eighteen lodges that he has had the honor of representing for the past year. Mr. Blennerhassett is an able man and his fellow lodge workers are to be congratulated that they have one so efficient in their ranks.

While Mrs. Ina Carlin was away from home Sunday with her husband who had gone to fill his appointments some one who is contemptible that we are at a loss to find anything little enough to compare to. visited her hen coops and took over one hundred little chickens leaving her only eight out of all she had worked so hard to get hatched off. It is true, as Billy Brine, I believe it was, said, "Such a person has a soul but it is so small that it could be put in a mustard seed shell and still have room to rattle." Any man who would sneak in and take the product of a woman's labor in such a way is too contemptible for any comparison and we think that every means possible should be used in catching them and then they should be given the full extent of the law.

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### Regular Term County Court

C. D. Pruett et al, petition for change of road. Survey ordered at expense of petitioners

C. D. Manley, extending tax books for 1909, county's one half \$229.77

James Talbert, quarter salary as prosecuting attorney, \$200.00

E. E. Meador, same, county treasurer, \$212.50

C. D. Manley, same, county clk., \$45.00

James Stacy, one month salary cleaning closet \$5.00

Scaled bids for depository county funds opened and following bids found. First National Bank Cassville, 3 and 15-17 per cent on daily balances; Barry County Bank, 6 per cent; Purdy State Bank 4½ per cent. Bid of Barry County Bank accepted.

Frank Jackson presented scalps of six wolves. \$18 allowed for same, one-half to be paid by the state.

W. I. Green, petition for public road. Survey ordered at expense of petitioners.

J. F. Chastain and W. H. Wormington et al, petition for new road. Remonstrance being filed same continued until today, Wednesday.

J. A. Clevenger appointed constable of Mineral township, vice, D. A. Cares.

Court estimates that the amount necessary to meet expenses of county for 1909 to be \$25,000 and amount necessary for road purposes \$10,000.

The following tax levy was made for the year 1909: State, 15 cents; interest, 10 cents; county, 50 cents; road, 20 cents.

Edith Madewell, relief poor per son \$10.00.

COUNTY COURT, APRIL 27.

Warrants:

City of Cassville, water rent, \$37.

50.

P. H. Duncan, per diem by appeal 5.00

C. D. Velton, same, 5.00

G. W. Henson, same, 5.00

Bert Robbins, same, 5.00

C. D. Manley, same, 5.00

J. S. Moudy, same, 5.00

Jas. Clayton, wood to county farm 3.00.

P. H. Duncan, per diem co court 5.00

C. D. Velton, same, 5.00

G. W. Henson, same, 5.00

M. E. Newman, sheriff, 2.00

Henry Rine, labor and exp dist 14 22 51.

Quarterly statement fees received by C. D. Manley, county clerk, approved. School fund loan to W. D. Ddie, \$150.

Collector ordered to take credit for taxes on sw nw, 34-24-26 for 1906 belonging to C. R. Edson, erroneous assessment.

Clerk ordered to notify abstractors that sealed bids will be received up to noon the first Monday in May 1909 for county abstracting.

Following is the standing of the contesting schools at the field meet at Marionville: Marionville, 52 points; Aurora, 31; Monett, 16; Peirce City, 15; Mt. Vernon, 3; Neosho, 0.

Mrs. B. D. Jones, wife of the former pastor of the M. E. Church of this place, now of Seymour, visited with Rev. and Mrs. Stevens. She was on her way to Arkansas to visit her father who is very ill.

Mrs. Walter Montgomery and Miss Strother of Rocky Comfort visited friends in the city Wednesday. They were on their way home from Carthage.

A party went to Ritchey Wednesday to spend the day fishing. They were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wilkerson, Mrs. Frank Buckley, Capt. S. C. Mills, Floyd Fawver and Jimmie Goodwin.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal Church will meet with Mrs. F. M. Shriver Friday afternoon at 2:30.

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## Wall Paper

We don't keep it  
We Sell It.

Largest Stock in Town  
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KNAPP'S  
Drug Store